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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6676

BILL NUMBER: SB 271

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 17, 2009

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Head

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Pearson

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 2nd House

**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that a request for an increase in funds for the animal disease diagnostic laboratory at Purdue University must originate from the Indiana State Board of Animal Health, subject to the written approval of the Treasurer of Purdue (instead of the board of trustees). The bill also provides that proceeds from fees may be used for any purpose except for faculty salaries.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Request for Increase in Funds.* The first provision of the bill changes the approval authority from the board of trustees to the Treasurer of Purdue. The provision should not have an impact.

Use of Fees. The second provision provides that proceeds from fees may be used for any purpose except for faculty salaries. Under existing law the fees may be used only for equipment and supplies for the laboratory. The bill restricts using fee revenue for faculty salaries; however, fee revenue is not currently used for faculty salaries. The provision would allow the use of fee revenue for lab technicians that could be needed to conduct tests. The bill does not necessarily increase expenses, but rather expands what can qualify for an expense.

Background: The General Assembly appropriated for the laboratory about \$3.5 M in state General Fund revenue for both FY 2008 and FY 2009.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Purdue University's Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory.

Local Agencies Affected:

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